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Mr. Lewis:

As per our discussion during the telephonic interview today, we enclose pages from the 09/263,976 application. Also enclosed are the pages from the '662 patent that contain the etoposide passage

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Attached hereto are the following documents for filing in the above parent application:

1. Copy of U.S. application Serial No. 09/263,976, filed March 5, 1999, pages 21-41;
2. Copy of U.S. Patent No. 6,312,662, issued November 6, 2001, columns 31-34.

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